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A veces, una potente
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puede ser todo lo que necesitas para contar una historia

Un activista se defiende de los fuertes chorros de agua en Bolivia. Esta foto fue presentada por Carlos Navas en el Metro Photo Challenge 2012.
(Want to find out what's going on here? Look inside on page 10.)

Gana un viaje a Ghana!

El ganador mundial del gran premio tendrá una expedición fotográfica a Ghana.

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2 'VIDEO: Fox News host Tucker Carlson falls asleep on live TV'

3 'VIDEO: 3-year-old boy mispronounces "bow and arrow"'

Local tweet

"In Philly, the debate over what work is worth has grown too ugly. Let's bring understanding + respect back to the table. #LaborDay"

City Council President Darrell Clarke, @Darrell_Clarke

Sen. Daylin Leach: Make marijuana legal in Pa.

Progressive. The state senator says he's seen interest from some GOP lawmakers.

Pennsylvania state Sen. Daylin Leach, whose district includes part of Montgomery and Delaware counties, is considered one of the most progressive legislators in the state.

There isn't a progressive cause, from gay marriage equality to lowering the cost of higher education, to banning shark fins, that he does not champion. Hardly a week goes by without him introducing a new bill.

One of the causes close to him is the legalization of marijuana. He has introduced a bill to make it legal in the state.

"During the 1920s, we proved that Prohibition does not work," said Leach. "People should not be unemployable or have their careers destroyed because they smoked weed.

"The status quo of marijuana remaining illegal is costing the state a billion dollars when you add up the lost tax revenue, wages and additional costs of law enforcement, prosecution and imprisonment."

Leach, who is running for Allyson Schwartz's seat in Congress that will be vacated if she runs for mayor this year, has seen interest in his proposal from GOP lawmakers.

Quoted

"One senate member told me if the bill passed, he could finally smoke on his porch instead of in the house."

Leach

He joked that his bill to legalize marijuana would pass if his fellow legislators could vote by "secret ballot."

Also, with the cost of college education soaring, the progressive has proposed an innovative solution, which will make college affordable to Pennsylvania residents.

His bill, "Pay It Forward, Pay It Back," will allow students to borrow money for college from a fund created by taxing Marcellus Shale revenues. Those borrowed funds can be used to pay tuition interest fees, said the state senator.

The money will be interest free and will be paid back by 4 percent garnishment of wages.

Leach argued, "With Pennsylvania having one of the lowest college graduation rates in the country, the state vitally needs an overhaul of its higher education system so its citizens will have the skills to work in this economy and jobs don't need to be sent overseas."

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LGBT rights

Leach, the officiator

The colorful Leach, whose persona is the opposite of buttoned-down, does not just show his support for LGBT rights by his voting record: He has been officiating gay weddings since the Register of Wills in Montgomery County ruled them legal.

"I became a minister online in the Universal Life Church to perform my brother's wedding," he said. "I have officiated at five gay weddings with two more planned."

Battling the rains on Labor Day

Kyndal Burks, 4, protects herself from the downpour yesterday morning during Philadelphia's Tri State Labor Parade and Festival at Penn's Landing. / RIKARD LARMA, METRO

Caught stealing. Two Phillies fans tried to swipe Wrigley ivy

The souvenir stand must have been closed.

Two Bucks County men adorned in red and white Phillies attire were arrested early Sunday after they allegedly broke into the Friendly Confines of Wrigley Field, and tried to swipe pieces of the iconic ivy that coats the outfield walls of the almost century-old Chicago ballpark.

Kevin Burge and Steven Gudknecht, both 25, snuck into the stadium and onto the field where they were found by police around 4 a.m. grabbing at the ivy.

Apparently the two trespassers, who are from New Britain, squeezed through wrought-iron window bars to gain access, and were spotted by security on closed-circuit surveillance video.

The duo, apparently in town to watch the Phils play the Cubs, were charged with misdemeanor trespassing and are due back in town in late September for a court date.

One of the men's Phillies attire could be seen in his mug shot.

No damages were reported. METRO

Festival safety

Cops: Assaults reported

Two female attendees of Made in America reported being sexually assaulted. Police said one woman, 24, on Saturday flagged down what she believed to be a taxi but was assaulted by a man in the backseat. A second woman, 22, reported an assault around midnight Sunday after she went to a man's home to use his phone. The suspect, identified Sunday as Ankara Demir, 26, was arrested. METRO

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Violence

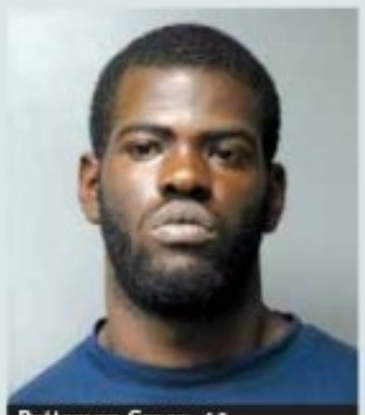
Man shot in robbery attempt

A 22-year-old man was shot in the thigh yesterday morning during an attempted robbery at Sixth Street and the Roosevelt Boulevard in Hunting Park, according to police. METRO

Shots fired

Cops: Fight ended in shooting

Delaware police arrested a teen Sunday after he allegedly agreed to fight a man with his fists but pulled out a firearm instead. A witness told officers Patterson Green, 19, shot a 23-year-old man in the leg. Green was arrested.


Patterson Green, 19
DELAWARE STATE POLICE

Police said an investigation revealed Green and the victim were arguing outside an apartment complex and agreed to settle the dispute by fighting without weapons. But as they began walking, Green allegedly turned around and fired multiple rounds at the victim, striking him in the leg. METRO

Brutal. Police: Cab driver stabbed 11 times over $200

Two men stabbed a cab driver 11 times early yesterday morning during a brutal robbery in Queen Village that netted the thieves just $205, according to police.

Investigators said the 37-year-old driver shortly before 1:15 a.m. pulled his taxi over on the 900 block of South Front Street, near Christian Street, to let two men out of the vehicle. Both men exited and one of them stood next to the driver's window of the cab, appearing to be getting money out of his wallet.

But police said the second man then approached the window with a knife and began stabbing the cabbie as he sat in the driver's seat of the taxi. The first man allegedly pulled out a knife and also began stabbing the driver.

Police said the victim was able to grab the knife from the first suspect and turn it on his assailant. That's when the second man allegedly stabbed the cab driver in the head.

The men fled west in an unknown direction, making away with $205 in cash. Police said the cabbie drove to Front and South streets, where he flagged down a police officer and was taken to Jefferson University Hospital. He had been stabbed 11 times in his head, arm, chest, hand and the front of his neck, but was hospitalized in stable condition due to the superficial nature of the wounds, according to investigators.

Known to police

Police said the second suspect, a 21-year-old man, was arrested near Fourth and Federal streets. His identity was not released yesterday.

- Investigators said yesterday they knew the identity of the first suspect but had not yet taken him into custody.

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Back in time to 1968

Student Faisel Lairi is shown here checking out some displays at closing day of the National Constitution Center's 1968 exhibit on Labor Day. / RIKARD LARMA, METRO

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Arrest

Suspect in fatal shooting nabbed

Police arrested a suspect in connection with a shooting Sunday night near 50th and Market streets that killed a 27-year-old man. An update was not available yesterday. METRO

Student dies

Bucks County native beaten to death

A Bucks County man attending school in West Virginia died after he and a friend were attacked in Wheeling, W. Va., over the weekend.

Kevin M. Figaniak, 21, of Perkasie, died early Sunday at University of Pittsburgh Medical Center's Presbyterian Hospital in Oakland, Pa., reports say.

Kevin Figaniak
WHEELING JESUIT UNIVERSITY

The deadly attack happened about 1:45 a.m. Aug. 31 as Figaniak, a senior lacrosse and hockey player at the Jesuit school, and his friend were attacked and beaten by a group of three or four men. METRO

Inhumane. Man arrested on charges of violating 4-year-old

An Upper Darby man allegedly violated a 4-year-old girl with a spoon, police said.

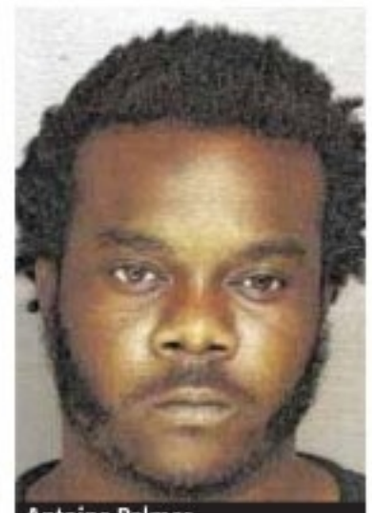
Antoine Palmer, 23, of the 500 block of Woodcliffe Road, was charged and then arraigned Aug. 30 after doctors at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP) confirmed there had been some type of penetration with a foreign object.

The 4-year-old girl was bleeding from her vagina when she came home Aug. 27, Police Superintendent Michael Chitwood said. She was apparently in Palmer's care prior to this exchange, he said, as Palmer regularly picks up the girl from day care and babysits until the girl's mother returns home from work.

The girl was taken to CHOP for evaluation, and it was determined that "some type of object was stuffed in her vagina," Chitwood said.

He said the spoon was used in some type of slicing motion.

The girl then positively identified Palmer, according to police.


Antoine Palmer
UPPER DARBY POLICE

"It's very, very difficult when you have to deal with a 4-year-old [victim]," Chitwood said. "Because you have to handle it very cautiously and respectfully."

Palmer was charged with aggravated indecent assault and corruption of a minor, among other offenses.

He was being held in jail on $250,000 bail. His preliminary hearing is set for Sept. 6.

Chitwood called Palmer's alleged behavior "animalistic."

"To violate a 4-year-old ... he is a beast," he said. TOMMY ROWAN

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD PHILADELPHIA HOUSING AUTHORITY

The Philadelphia Housing Authority (PHA) is a participant in the Moving to Work Demonstration Program (MTW). PHA was initially selected to participate in the MTW Program in 2001. In October 2008, PHA entered into an Amended and Restated Moving to Work Agreement ("MTW Agreement") with the US Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD"), which has subsequently been further amended.

The MTW Agreement defines the terms and conditions under which PHA is a participant in the MTW Program. The MTW Agreement requires that PHA submit an MTW Annual Plan for HUD review and approval. PHA's current MTW Annual Plan for MTW Year Thirteen (PHA Fiscal Year 2014) was approved by HUD on May 30, 2013.

PHA is seeking public review and comments on two proposed actions relative to the MTW Program:

- **Amendment to the MTW Agreement** – The proposed amendment to the MTW Agreement will provide PHA with additional flexibility in utilizing Replacement Housing Factor funds received by PHA from HUD.
- **Amendment to the MTW Year Thirteen Annual Plan** – The proposed amendment to the MTW Annual Plan will: 1) Establish that PHA may apply to convert one or more public housing sites under the Rental Assistance Demonstration Program and that PHA may utilize MTW Block Grant funds to support the conversion; and, 2) Allow PHA to establish a flexible subsidy program for newly developed or acquiredpublic housing units, subject to HUD review and approval of each transaction.

Additional information regarding the proposed amendments is available from PHA. Copies are available for public review on PHA's website at: www.pha.phila.gov under the "Latest News" section or may be picked up at the following locations:

- **Housing Choice Voucher Program Office:** 2850 Germantown Ave 1st & 2nd Floor
- **Scattered Sites Management Offices:** 3417 Spring Garden Street, 1821 Vineyard St. 3226 McMichael St., 3218 Susquehanna Avenue, 400 W. Huntingdon St.
- **Public Housing Management Offices:** **Bartram** - 5404 Gibson Drive, **Wilson Park** - 2500 Jackson St., **Raymond Rosen** – 2110 N. 23rd St., **Blumberg** - 2311 W. Jefferson St.

PHA residents, Housing Choice Voucher participants and the general public may attend and provide comments at the Public Hearing described below and/or submit written comments on these proposed actions any time during the comment period. The Public Hearing is scheduled for the following time and location: **August 27, 2013 10 a.m. until noon, 1100 Poplar Street, Philadelphia, PA19123, Multipurpose Room.**

Only comments pertaining to the proposed actions noted above are being solicited. The comment period begins on August 6, 2013 at 12 noon and ends September 5, 2013 at 12 noon.All comments must be received by the end of the comment period. Please send your writtencomments to: **Philadelphia Housing Authority, Office of Policy, Research and Enterprise Planning, Attention: MTW Comment, 1606 Swain St., Philadelphia, PA 19130.**

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Made in America, perfected in Philly

Tens of thousands of fans flocked to the Parkway for the Budweiser Made In America Festival that featured performers including Macklemore and Ryan Lewis, top, (sporting a throwback Phillies jersey), Beyonce, middle right, Phoenix, bottom right, and Wiz Khalifa, bottom left.

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Public gets Free TV with no monthly bills

Federal law makes TV network giants broadcast Free TV signals regionally in crystal clear digital picture in all 50 states allowing U.S. households to pull in Free TV with a sleek $49 micro antenna device engineered to pull in nothing but Free TV channels with no cable, satellite or internet connection and no monthly bills

Who Gets Free TV: Listed below are the Philadelphia area zip codes that can get Free over the air TV channels. If you find the first two digits of your zip code immediately call: **1-888-752-7147**

PENNSYLVANIA - Today's announcement by CompTek has the Free TV Hotlines ringing off the hook.

That's because Philadelphia area residents who find their zip code listed in today's publication are getting Free TV channels thanks to an amazing razor-thin invention called Clear-Cast®.

Philadelphia area residents who call the Toll Free Hotlines before the 48-hour order deadline to get Clear-Cast can pull in Free TV channels with crystal clear digital picture and no monthly bills.

This announcement is being so widely advertised because a U.S. Federal law makes TV broadcasters transmit their signals in digital format, which allows everyone to receive these over-the-air digital signals for free with no monthly bills.

Here's how it works. Clear-Cast, the sleek micro antenna device with advanced technology links up directly to pull in the Free TV signals being broadcast in your area with crystal clear digital picture and no monthly bills.

Clear-Cast was invented by a renowned NASA Space Technology Hall of Fame scientist who currently holds 23 U.S. Gov't issued patents. For the past 20 years, he has specialized in developing antenna systems for NASA, Motorola, XM Satellite Radio and companies around the world.

His latest patent-pending invention, Clear-Cast, is a sleek micro antenna device engineered to pull in the Free TV signals through advanced technology with no cable, satellite or internet connection and no monthly bills.

"Clear-Cast is being released to the general public because we just don't think people should keep paying for TV when they can get it for free," said Conrad Miller, Manager of Operations at CompTek.

"There's never a monthly bill to pay and all the channels you get with Clear-Cast are absolutely free. So you see, Clear-Cast is not like cable or satellite. It was engineered to access solely the over-the-air signals that include all the top rated national and regional networks, like ABC, NBC, CBS, FOX, PBS, CW and about 90% of the most watched TV shows like America's Got Talent, NCIS, 60 Minutes, American Idol, The Big Bang Theory, The Bachelorette, Person of Interest, CSI, The Mentalist, Two and a Half Men, Sunday Night Football plus news, weather and more all for free with no monthly bills," Miller said.

"That's why Clear-Cast is such a great alternative for everyone who is sick and tired of paying expensive cable and satellite bills every month," he said.

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And here's the best part. The sleek micro antenna device called Clear-Cast is so technically advanced it pulls in even more of the channels being broadcast in your area for Free with no monthly bills.

That way you can channel surf through the favorite TV shows. The number of shows and channels you'll get depends on where you live. People living in large metropolitan areas may get up to 53 static-free channels, while people in outlying areas will get less. That means even if you're in a rural area that just pulls in NBC, ABC, CBS, FOX and PBS broadcasts there's hundreds of shows each year to watch for free.

Consumers report that the crystal clear picture quality with Clear-Cast is the best they've ever seen. That's because you get virtually all pure uncompressed signals direct from the broadcasters for free.

Clear-Cast was engineered to link up directly like a huge outdoor directional antenna but in a lightweight, slim-line package. Its sturdy copper alloy and polymer construction will most likely far outlast your TV.

It just couldn't be any easier to get Free over-the-air digital TV shows with Clear-Cast. Simply plug it into your TV, place Clear-Cast on a window pane and run autoscan. It works on virtually any model TV and is easily hidden out of sight behind a curtain or window treatment.

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This submission was a contender in last year's Metro Photo Challenge. / YE PYAE

Just what happened with today's cover?

Double take. No, it wasn't a publishing error. Today's rather different cover is to bring awareness to this year's Metro Photo Challenge. Learn how you can enter.

If you noticed that today's cover of Metro was a bit more, well, international than usual, you would be correct. We joined Metros from all of the world — we publish 71 editions in 23 countries — who ran covers today in different languages to bring awareness to this year's Metro Photo Challenge. We wanted to prove the point that pictures speak a universal language, understood by all (did it work?).

The Metro Photo Challenge is the world's biggest photography competition open to amateurs and professionals alike. For the 2013 Challenge, photographers will "sense" the world through photography, submitting in five categories representing the human senses (sight, hearing, taste, smell and touch), plus an additional "sixth sense," an open-ended category for photographers to interpret in their own creative way. To submit your photos, go to www.metrophotochallenge.com or submit via Instagram using the hashtag #MPC2013. You can use the app's editing, filters and enhancement — but only in the "sixth sense" category.

Starting tomorrow, Metro will publish a daily winner both in print and online at www.metro.us. At the end of the Challenge on Oct. 13, we will pick a U.S. winner to be entered into our international contest. This global grand prize winner will receive a once-in-a-lifetime trip with a social twist. In partnership with Reach for Change, Metro will arrange an eight-day trip to Ghana, West Africa. METRO

Metro Photo Challenge

How to enter MPC:

- Go to www.metrophotochallenge.com to upload your submission (there are no limits to how many you can post). You can also upload via Instagram with the hashtag #MPC2013. Remember: The use of filters are only allowed in the "sixth sense" category.
- To see what others are submitting, follow @metrophotochallenge on Instagram.

Cyber hacked

Pro-Syria hackers put anti-attack message on US Marines site

Computer hackers aligned with Syrian President Bashar al-Assad struck an Internet recruiting site for the U.S. Marine Corps yesterday, urging troops to "refuse your orders" if the United States attacks Syria.

The attack appeared to be the work of the Syrian Electronic Army, which also recently targeted the New York Times' website and Twitter.

The hackers posted a message and images on the website www.marines.com, signing it "delivered by SEA," a reference to the Syrian Electronic Army. REUTERS

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President Obama and aides confront skeptical Congress on Syria strike

Decision. Polls show the public is largely opposed to U.S. military action.

President Barack Obama and his top aides launched a full-scale political offensive over the weekend to persuade a skeptical Congress to approve a military strike against Syria, but faced a struggle to win over lawmakers from both parties and a war-weary American public.

Obama made calls to members of the House of Representatives and Senate, underscoring the task confronting the administration before it can go ahead with using force in response to a deadly chemical attack blamed on the Syrian government.

Dozens of lawmakers, some in tennis shirts or shirtsleeves, cut short their vacations and streamed into the corridors of the Capitol building for a Sunday afternoon intelligence briefing on Syria with Obama's national security team.

When they emerged nearly three hours later, there was no immediate sign that the many skeptics in Congress had changed their minds. Many questioned the broad nature of the measure Obama is seeking, suggesting it needed to be narrowed. REUTERS

Syrian ally

Russian officials want to fly to Washington to sway Syria vote

Russian lawmakers want to travel to Washington to urge Congress not to back President Obama's plan for military strikes on Syria, the speaker of the upper house of parliament told President Vladimir Putin yesterday.

Dismissing U.S. accusations that the Syrian government had killed hundreds of its own people with poison gas as nothing but "talk," senior legislator Valentina Matviyenko said both chambers were ready to send delegations.

Russia is one of the main allies of Syrian President Bashar al-Assad and has already blocked several Western-led resolutions in the U.N. Security Council to sanction him over his crackdown on the uprising.

President Barack Obama joined by Vice President Joe Biden delivers a statement on Syria in the Rose Garden of the White House on Saturday. / GETTY IMAGES

Witnesses

Kerry, Hagel to testify at U.S. Senate hearing on Syria today

U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry and Secretary of Defense Chuck Hagel will be witnesses at a Senate Foreign Relations Committee hearing on the authorization of the use of military force in Syria, the committee said.

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Historically black colleges think hard about funding

In his book, Schexnider proposes the idea that historically black schools need to market themselves to other races. / GETTY IMAGES

Business model. Diversifying on campus may be the solution to falling enrollment rates.

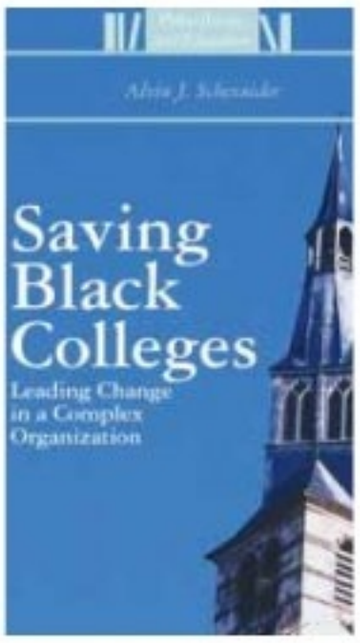
When Alvin Schexnider took over as chancellor at Winston-Salem State University in 1996, he rubbed more than a few faculty members the wrong way. Schexnider ascended to the chancellor's office with a vision for radically adapting the historically black college to the changing marketplace of higher education.

By 2000 he was gone, five years earlier than he had planned. But Schexnider feels there's a lesson in this experience for all HBCUs (historically black colleges and universities.) His latest book, "Saving Black Colleges: Leading Change in a Complex Organization," calls for sobering business-minded alterations to the HBCU model.

"I'm not the kind of guy who likes to nibble around the edges. Change doesn't have to be radical, but it certainly has to be intentional," says Schexnider. "I didn't take the time to develop a management team before I made changes, so when there was a cry, there was no one to take the spear in the chest but me."

Not surprisingly, Schexnider feels these institutions need — first and foremost — a strong president, willing to focus the school's mission toward greater specialization. He also calls for greater creativity in marketing. Specifically, he believes HBCUs need to market themselves to other races, including whites.

"I think it definitely needs to be part of the business model. Sometimes there's a lot of resistance from alumni, but diversity has to be embraced, not just at majority institutions," he says. "You can still be a historically black university and embrace diversity. The two aren't mutually exclusive."



By the numbers

African-American students that attend a historically black college:

- 1974: 18.4%
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Source: National Center for Education Statistics

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CULTURE

Twitter feed

We check in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.

Today, Roseanne Barr wants to see some changes, Jane Fonda is trying new things, Lena Dunham is worried about her sisters and Steve Carell fears his plans are backfiring.

@TheRealRoseanne: Men need to govern themselves and each other w more dignity!

@Janefonda: Joined the improv troupe at Upright Citizens Brigade last night. Improv way harder to do than I expected. Fun though

@lenadunham: Feel like there are tons of girls in a pit of ice cream & despair going "Lance Bass got engaged before me!?"

@SteveCarell: "Give a Stranger a Smile Day" results: 23% confused, 34% agitated, 43% annoyed.

'Fifty Shades' movie adaptation casting revealed

Do we still care about "Fifty Shades of Grey"? I feel like the publishing phenomenon has already been cast aside to pop culture's 99-cent bin. But then again, I've doubted the force that is middle-aged suburban women who live vicariously through poorly written fictional characters (see: "Twilight") for some time.

If you find yourself in the die-hard "Fifty Shades" category, you'll be happy to know that casting for the film adaptation is settled. On Monday, author E.L. James tweeted, "I am delighted to let you know that the lovely Dakota Johnson has agreed to be our Anastasia." Less than an hour later, James announced that "Sons of Anarchy" star Charlie Hunnam will be the male lead.

You've seen Johnson in "Ben and Kate" as well "The Social Network." Hunnam was just recently in "Pacific Rim."

DAKOTA JOHNSON
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James Franco puts the labor back into Labor Day

No rest for the famous. James Franco made two huge appearances over the weekend at the Venice International Film Festival, one for his latest directorial effort, "Child of God," on Saturday and Gia Coppola's "Palo Alto," in which he stars, on Sunday, pictured here. Then, yesterday, he probably saddled up to a bar somewhere to watch the Comedy Central roast of himself, which aired last night but was filmed on Aug. 25. And here I thought it was rough sitting in traffic?/ GETTY IMAGES

Is Pippa Middleton engaged?

Pippa Middleton and Nico Jackson may plan to marry. / GETTY IMAGES

The British tabloid press is circulating rumors that the bridesmaid with the world-famous badonkadonk, Pippa Middleton, is secretly engaged to her 35-year-old financier boyfriend Nico Jackson.

The Daily Mail says that the fashionable couple, who have only been dating for six months, will announce the news after her 30th birthday festivities this Friday.

What will we call the couple? Pippco? Nicpa? Or, my personal favorite — Nicopip?

Talking points

Bynes still not on Twitter

It turns out the mysterious "I love Drake" message on Amanda Bynes' Twitter — her first post since being placed under forced psychiatric care earlier this summer — wasn't actually from her. "Amanda's Twitter account has been hacked. She is at the UCLA Medical Center with no access to phones or computers," her attorney, Tamar Arminak, tells Radar Online. She is expected to remain in treatment for the foreseeable future.

Did Mayer ask Perry to get married?

John Mayer is reportedly so serious about his rekindled romance with Katy Perry that he's already popped the question — but he didn't get the answer he wanted, according to Grazia magazine. "John won't run from Katy again. He knows his bad-boy reputation and what happened with Russell [Brand] hurt Katy, and he'll do whatever it takes to show he's the one she should marry," a source says. But Perry apparently "doesn't feel ready" to be married again. "John's proposal really unnerved Katy," the source says. "Even though they have discussed it, she thought it was too soon. John was gutted."

LANCE BASS
GETTY IMAGES

Bass is engaged

More good news for Lance Bass: After re-teaming with 'N Sync at the MTV Video Music Awards last week, Bass announced that he proposed to boyfriend Michael Turchin. "He said yes! Love this man," Bass wrote on Instagram along with a photo of himself and Turchin, who sported a gold engagement band. Turchin himself tweeted later that he is the "happiest guy in the world."

By the way, this book is 100 percent real

Textual satisfaction. "Texts From Bennett" creator Mac Lethal wrote a novel.

Two years ago, a Tumblr blog featuring the text messages of a "17-year-old white boy who thinks he's a Crip, works at Amoco and has a girlfriend named Mercedes" almost broke the Internet, so rapid and immense was its popularity and reach.

If you don't know what we're talking about, we assume you were living under a very large rock in late 2011, because "Texts From Bennett" might be one of the defining Internet memes of our time.

The blog, which instantly whipped the web into a frenzy of delight, horror and speculation, is the creation of Kansas City rapper Mac Lethal (aka David Sheldon) who felt that his wannabe-gangster cousin Bennett's lovably crass, inane texts were too good not to share. Now, he has turned the Tumblr into a novel, a narrative about Bennett and his mom, Lethal's Aunt Lillian, living with him for a summer. We checked in with Lethal in between stops on his "Texts From Bennett Tour," during which he'll be signing copies of the book and performing live.

Did you have any idea this was going to be such an insane phenomenon?
I had no idea it would be this huge. The world wasn't ready for a 17-year-old Crip with the inability to speak coherent English.

People were weirdly pissed when they found out who you were and Bennett's veracity came into question.
People get more upset and impassioned about "Texts From Bennett" than they do about me bashing religion or making political statements. ... It's a wannabe gangster with a stuffed bunny rabbit. Is it that serious?

How is it that Bennett didn't come across the Tumblr right away?
People like Bennett don't have access to the Internet. Bennett goes outside and is social with people. Which is strangely ironic considering all the detractors of the blog just sit around drinking Mountain Dew floats all day, playing "Call of Duty."

He must know about it by now. How did he react?
He just wanted to know if he could get cute girls with "big titties" because of his newfound fame.

What's he like in real life?
Gentle. Tattooed. Surprisingly supportive in all aspects of life. He's the type of kid who would rather be happy for your good experience than try to impose his own on you. He has a big heart ... [he's] just misled.

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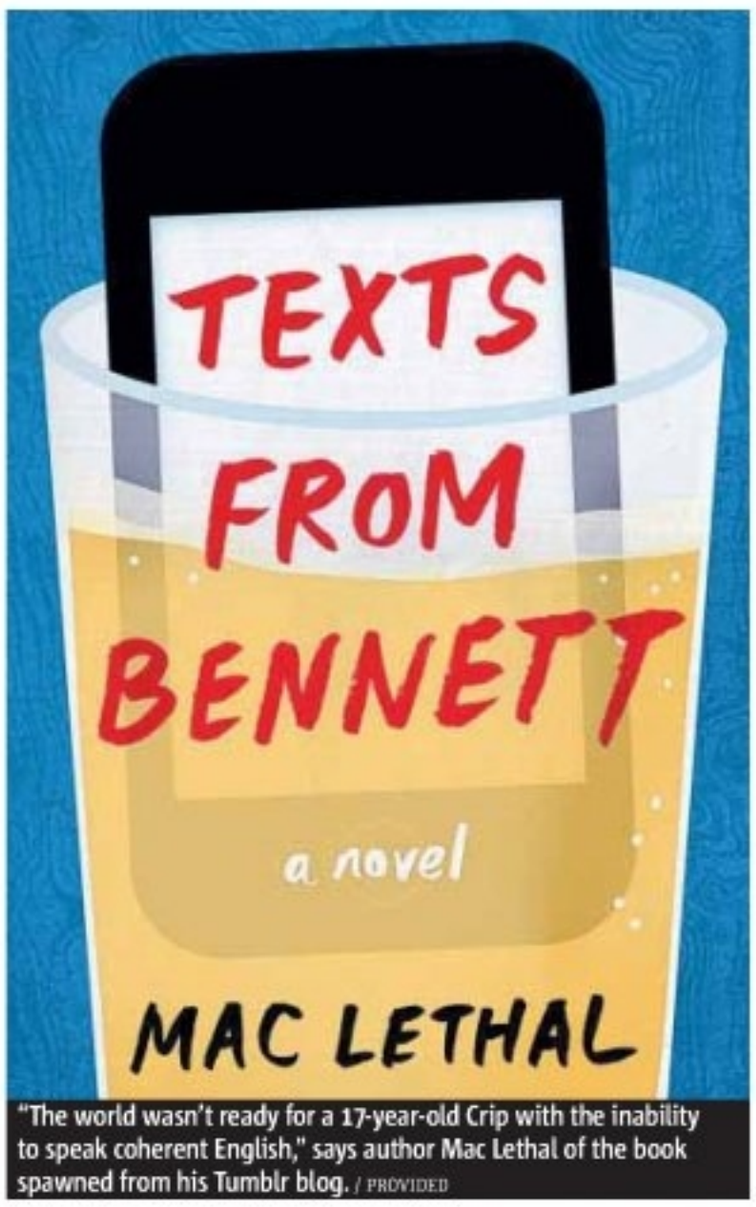
Lethal on exposure

Do you think this exposure has helped your music career or hurt it?
I don't know; in 2013 it's hard to gauge if careers can be helped or hurt. Most of them exist, have peaks and valleys, become hot, become cold, become hot again. Miley Cyrus is the hottest thing in the world right now, but we can't say that it's necessarily helping her. So I try not to focus on reputation or keeping track of my blemishes. Some stuff works, some stuff doesn't. All I know is since 2002 I have never had a year that wasn't more eventful than the one before it. So it's all been good.



"The world wasn't ready for a 17-year-old Crip with the inability to speak coherent English," says author Mac Lethal of the book spawned from his Tumblr blog. / PROVIDED

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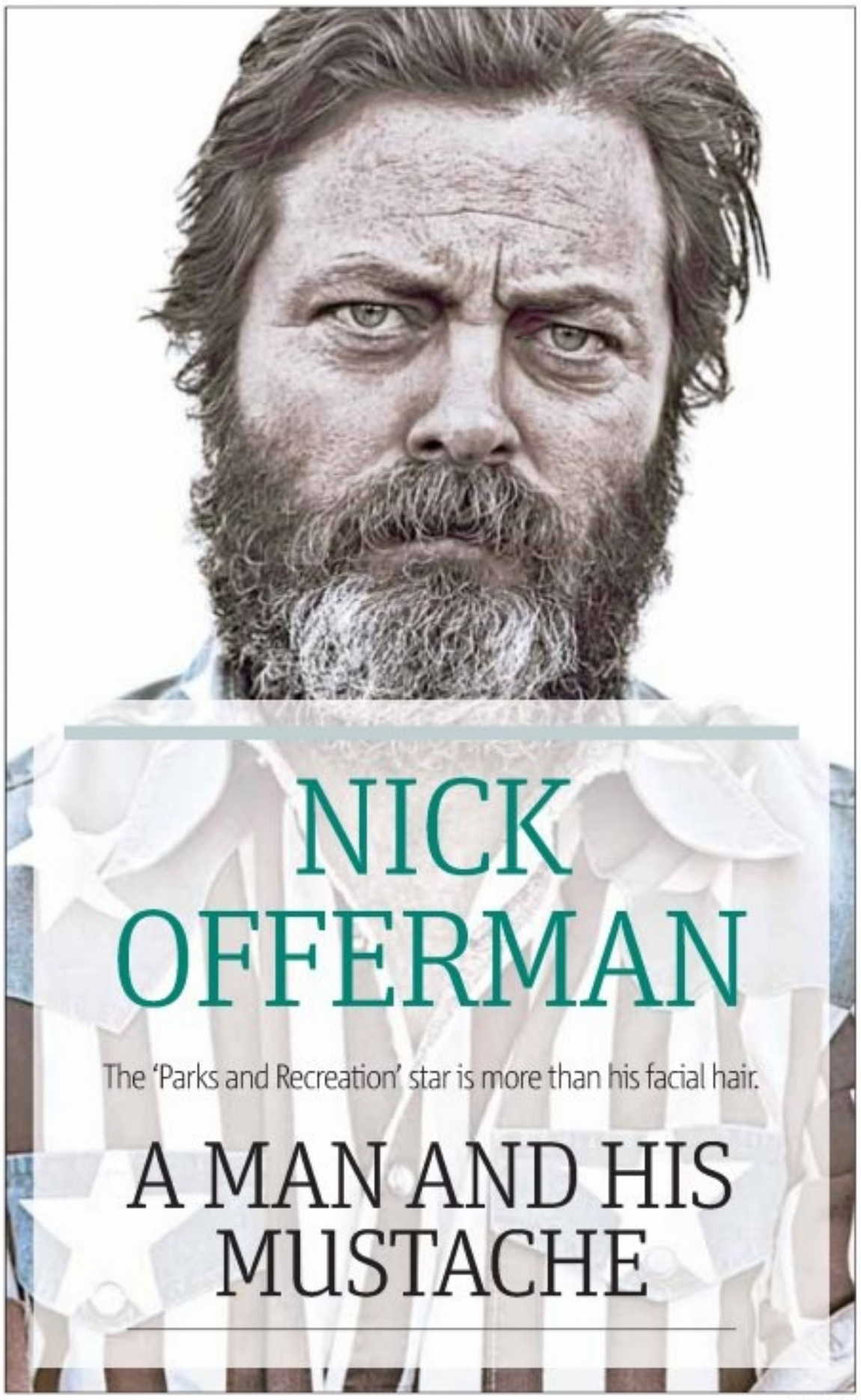

NICK OFFERMAN

The 'Parks and Recreation' star is more than his facial hair.

A MAN AND HIS MUSTACHE

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Nick Offerman may be best known for playing the stone-faced, government-hating Ron Swanson on NBC's "Parks and Recreation," but he's also an accomplished comedian and stage actor (not to mention woodworker). He's currently on tour with his wife, Megan Mullally, and her band, but took some time off to talk to the Metro about his show, his new book and his most famous co-star — his 'stache.

What can people expect when they come to see you?
Some cautionary tales. There's a lot of gum-flapping. Some mediocre songs. Some woodworking tips. And some minor nudity.

Minor nudity! Sounds like an exciting show.
Well, you gotta get asses in the seats.

Do you perform with Megan's band at all?
They open with a handful of songs and then I do my bit and then, just when I'm losing the audience and people are beginning to nod off or finger their parking stubs longingly, the band comes out and we wrap the evening up with a couple songs together.

Who would you say is the ideal audience for your upcoming book, "Paddle Your Own Canoe?"
I guess human beings. I think men will really enjoy the book from the point of view of a jackass man like myself, and I think the ladies will enjoy the book in terms of viewing their men through the lens of my writing.

In almost every interview a question comes up about your mustache. Why is the American public so fascinated by it?
It's inexplicable. I am lucky enough to be literally riding the coattails of my mustache and I have the good sense to keep my mouth shut and stand behind it, try to look polite.

Let the mustache do the talking?
Yeah, soon after "Parks and Rec" came on the air, my mustache was signed by CAA and there's a whole set of rules. I'm not allowed to make eye contact with it, and it doesn't return my calls. I have to get hold of its representation if I want to talk about trimming or grooming.

Do you think it's been ruined by fame or is it the same mustache it always was?
That's a very good question, but I can't really speak to it right now, if you get my drift.

Is the canoe on the cover of the book one you crafted?
It is, yeah. That's my first canoe and her name is Huckleberry and she has treated me very well.

Does the canoe also have representation with CAA?
No, the big agencies are not as interested in the wood boats. My canoe's with a smaller boutique agency.

As "Parks and Rec" heads into its sixth season, how do you keep Ron Swanson fresh?
Well, to be honest, I'm such a lucky bastard that I don't have to try very hard because I have a team of brilliant writers who keep Ron fresh. They go above and beyond ... and provide us with new stories and new avenues to pursue so that the audience doesn't get sick of the same old personality traits. I just mold my face into a constipated rictus and do my best to deliver the dialogue.

LISA WEIDENFELD
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REALITY

'Tickle'

You know that sketch they did on "SNL" a few months back, about all the Bravo spinoffs? This show is like the Discovery Channel version of that. Apparently it's a spinoff of "Moonshiners" (a show about hicks who make moonshine) featuring a cast member named Tickle who ... makes moonshine? A backwoods hick named Tickle sounds like a great premise for a horror movie, by the way.

10 P.M., DSC

What will this guy wear next? / IAN WHITE

REALITY

'Catfish: The TV Show'

Tonight, the catfishee is the catfish — mind blown. This episode features a girl who has been sending Photoshopped pictures of herself to her clueless online boyfriend, to fool him into thinking she looks much better than she actually does. Not cool, missy.

10 P.M., MTV

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'The Butler' beats boy band

Box office. The One Direction film didn't win the holiday weekend.

Forest Whitaker contemplates triumphing over One Direction in "Lee Daniels' The Butler." / ANNA MARIE FOX

Though it had the edge over most of the weekend, the concert movie "One Direction: This Is Us" wound up losing to "Lee Daniels' The Butler," which threw in a last-second boy band beatdown to become the winner of the North American box office for the third week in a row.

"The Butler" has seen sales totaling more than $74 million, $20 million of which came from the four-day Labor Day weekend. Starring Forest Whitaker as a butler at the White House from the 1950s to the 1980s, the film has endured some controversy, but not enough, evidently, to actively dissuade moviegoers from its civil-rights-era history lessons.

"One Direction: This Is Us" grossed not that much less, with $17 million over four days. The film, unexpectedly directed by "Super Size Me" stunt documentarian Morgan Spurlock, raced to the top on Friday, but saw its grosses drop by Saturday.

In third and still going strong in its fourth weekend was "We're the Millers," starring Jason Sudeikis and Jennifer Aniston as a drug dealer and stripper, respectively, who pose as a suburban family to better smuggle marijuana over the Mexican border. It added another $15.9 million to its haul for a $112.8 million total, giving Aniston (and Sudeikis) a much-needed blockbuster.

Also boasting a slim drop from last weekend was Disney's "Planes," which started slow but has hung in there. It grossed $10.6 million for what is now a $73.7 million cume.

The biggest shock was the Mexican comedy-drama "Instructions Not Included" cracking the top five. Directed by and starring television star Eugenio Derbez, it made a strong $10 million, making it the biggest ever opening for a Spanish-language film.

"The World's End," from Edgar Wright and Simon Pegg, only made $6 million in its second week.

Lastly, no one saw "Getaway," Warner Bros.' low-budget, muscle-car action film starring Ethan Hawke and Selena Gomez. It puttered to the number 10 slot with a sad $5.5 million. MATT PRIGGE

Top 5 earners

1. **'Lee Daniels' The Butler,'** $20 million
2. **'One Direction: This Is Us,'** $17 million
3. **'We're the Millers,'** $15.9 million
4. **'Planes,'** $10.6 million
5. **'Instructions Not Included,'** $10 million

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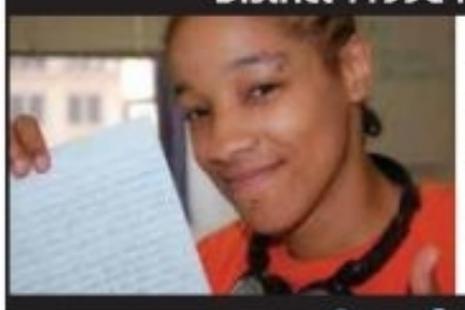

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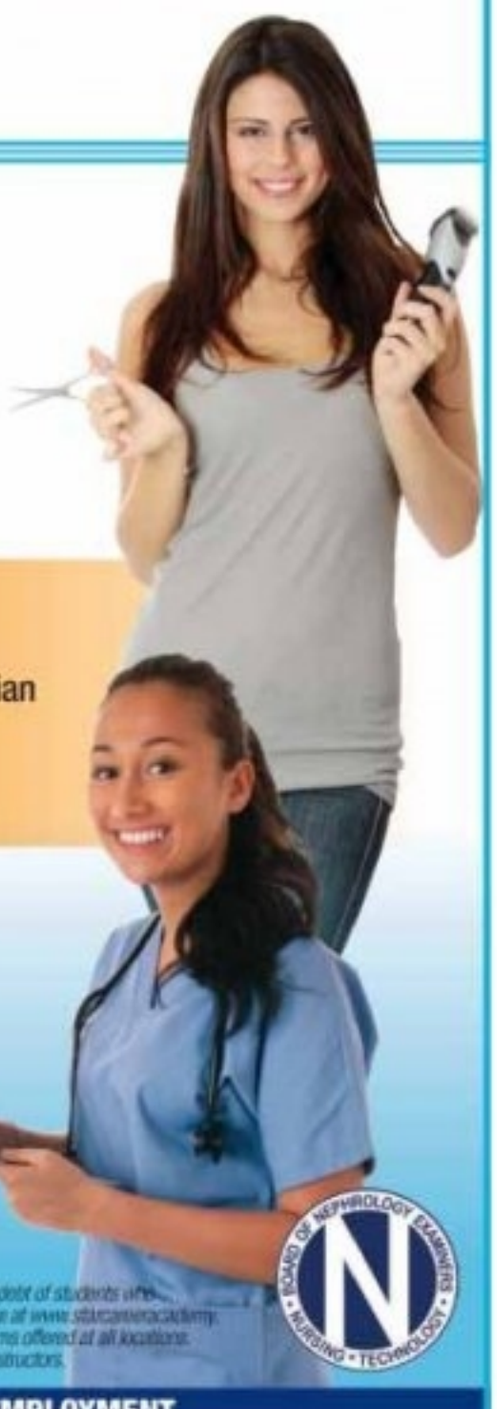

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Stealing one last summer vacation

Morey's Piers. We promise, this isn't anything like that other Jersey Shore.

Traditionally, Labor Day (and the start of school) means the end of summer vacations and weekend jaunts to the beach. But as the gorgeous weather continues to hold out (thanks, global warming!), there's no reason not to grab the kids or a group of friends for one last getaway.

One location that's easy to visit and especially perfect for families — and conveniently open through Columbus Day — is Morey's Piers & Beachfront Waterparks in Wildwood, N.J. (www.moreyspiers.com). Just about an hour and half drive from Philadelphia, this shore spot is not quite like any other resort town or theme park city in the nation.

Tracing its boardwalk-entertainment origins back to 1969, Morey's Piers is now the largest waterfront theme park in the Western Hemisphere, with more than 100 rides and attractions spanning about two miles of seascape.

Between the piers are seemingly endless ice cream and pizza shops, arcades, souvenirs stands and other such carnivalesque fare. If you don't have the energy to walk up and down all day, you can catch the Sightseer Tram Car for $3 per ride (but many tourism booths sell reduced-price day and weekend passes).

Although the area is primarily geared toward groups with younglings, adults can also have a good time at one of the many local bars and restaurants.

Or, of course, you can just enjoy the beach and people-watching, plus the chance to get away from the hustling humdrum of city life just one more time this summer, basking in Wildwood's all-too-easy-to-believe fantasy that sunny days are here to stay.

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Overnight

Where to stay

While visiting, you can also stay at a property owned by Morey's, such as Port Royal, which offers apartment-like hotel rooms with balconies, views of the beach, mini-kitchens and plenty of space to spread out. Downstairs is a restaurant, a pool and a kiddie pool, a game room and a quieter lounge spot for parents. When you stay at one of the four participating Morey Resorts (starting at $99 per night), you can get a "Stay and Play" package through Sept. 15, which means big savings on unlimited access to Morey's three piers (Mariner's Pier, Adventure Pier, Surfside Pier) and two waterparks (Ocean Oasis and Raging Waters).

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MR. HARE

The dreadlocked designer chats Frank Ocean, getting laid and his vices of choice.

COBBLING A CAREER

The old adage, "The shoes make the man," couldn't ring more true for Marc Hare. In 2008, the designer lost his job in fashion marketing and went on to create, in his words, "shoes for every moment." He designs for sybarites and socialites — men with a touch of the playboy about them. Not dissimilar from Hare, really, who has a passion for the sun and surfing. Still, the 42-year-old gets a lot done: Hare has steadily expanded his global footprint from having his shoes stocked on just one website, to global shipping at www.mrhare.com, to opening his first brick-and-mortar store in September last year in the trendy-meets-trust fund district of Mayfair, London.

Mr. Hare by the numbers

He hasn't shaved since he was 19 — he's now 42.

- He's been growing his hair since he was 17.
- He sold 300 pairs in 2008, compared to 7,000 this year.

There are some pretty outlandish men's shoes out there at the moment, with Jimmy Choo and Christian Louboutin going down a flamboyant route. Would you ever embellish your shoes that way?
It's a different kind of thing to do what I do, but never say never. Those people have been making shoes for a long time and they put things into their shoes that I don't even know yet. I'm just blown away by the technical aspects.

You once mentioned that you rarely give shoes away to celebrities. Have you changed your attitude about that?
Not unless I have absolute respect for them — it's quite personal. If I'm inspired by what you do and if what you do raises my daily game, then you can have some shoes. Like Tom Hardy — what a genius actor. Any time of day he can have them. Actually, Frank Ocean would be my ultimate person to see in my shoes. He has a pair but I've just never seen him in them.

Women are said to judge a man by his shoes, so will your shoes help get a man laid?
It'll help, but it's not a done deal. If you're a dick in my shoes, you're still a dick.

So you're sitting on the beach: a beer or a spliff?
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Keep kids in the kitchen

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Little hands can be a big help when it comes to cooking.

Many parents' intuition might be to shoo children out of the kitchen.

But the next time your kiddos are underfoot while you're making dinner, consider tossing them a task.

Cooking with kids can be a great way to bond, create healthy habits and make something great for lunch.

Sally Sampson, who created ChopChop, a cooking magazine for families, suggests starting small: Let them pick a vegetable at the farmers market to add to a salad, or throw veggies into a blender to create a smoothie. Kids can also create their own salad dressings.

Getting the kiddos involved in the kitchen can be a bonding experience, as well as a way to open them up to diverse foods.
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One thing she cautions against? Inviting the help for dessert.

Cooking works even with the littlest ones. "You can describe what you're doing," Sampson adds. "You can have them hand you carrots. No age is too young."

And cooking can be much healthier — and cheaper — than parents might think.

Massachusetts program Cooking Matters aims to help low-income families make delicious, affordable meals.

Director Alicia McCabe advises asking children each day whether they ate different colors in the rainbow — for example, if they ate anything green — and making it a daily game.

"I think a lot of that is just getting parents to imagine a slightly different way of doing things," she says.

One last tip: Don't forget to include them in the cleanup.

ALISON BOWEN
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Recipe.
Rainbow sandwich

Wash your hands with soap and water, then gather all your kitchen gear and ingredients and put them on a clean counter. Start with wholewheat bread and your favorite sliced cheese, then lay on the color.

From ChopChop

CHOPCHOP

Ingredients

- Red: tomatoes, red peppers, radishes
- Orange: carrot salad
- Yellow: yellow bell peppers, hummus
- Green: spinach, lettuce, pesto, fresh herbs, cukes, avocado, sliced green apple
- Purple: cabbage slaw

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♍ Virgo | Aug. 23-Sept. 22. Deal with personal responsibilities before they make your life difficult. Ask for help if you need it.

♎ Libra | Sept. 23-Oct. 22. A new activity or hobby will result in a relationship that could be seminal. Be confident and share your thoughts, and the world will be your oyster.

♏ Scorpio | Oct. 23-Nov. 21. Check out your options regarding living arrangements and the places and opportunities that entice you. Change what isn't working for you.

♐ Sagittarius | Nov. 22-Dec. 21. Bravado and control will help you bring about changes, but expect to face scrutiny from an outside source. Be honest.

♑ Capricorn | Dec. 22-Jan 20. Size up your financial and professional situations. Consider ways to improve and maintain your hard-won achievements.

♒ Aquarius | Jan. 21-Feb 18. Enjoy time spent with someone special. Take part in events that can change your financial situation and lead to contacts. It's a good time to make a big pitch.

♓ Pisces | Feb. 19-March 20. Listen carefully to what's being said. What you offer will exceed what you get in return. Consider working independently.

♈ Aries | March 21-April 20. Take on a challenge that will boost your ego. If you share your feelings, you'll charm someone.

♉ Taurus | April 21-May 21. Consider what everyone else is doing before you make a final decision regarding a career matter. Being cautious will save you from getting into an argument or getting hurt.

♊ Gemini | May 22-June 20. You're in a good cycle for travel. You will meet interesting people and discover something to incorporate into your everyday routine.

♋ Cancer | June 21-July 22. Practical improvements on the home front will open up more time. You'll be drawn to something unusual.

♌ Leo | July 23-Aug. 22. Put your energy to good use today instead of wasting time being angry. Focus on positive changes that will enable you to accomplish more. Don't give in to demands. **BERNICE BEDE OSOL**

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15 Castor, to Pollux
16 Bailed out
17 V.I.P. protector
19 Nut holders
20 "Wheel of Fortune" buy (2 wds.)
21 Adams or McClurg
22 Coastal fliers
23 Rank above knight
25 I cannot tell — —
26 Barracks dwellers
27 Gift for Dad (2 wds.)
30 Largest mammal
33 Raises the alarm
34 The Big Apple
36 Pit
37 Where Hawkeye served
38 Goes wrong
39 Belly dance lute
40 Prom rentals
41 Awfully nice
42 Drumming sound (hyph.)
44 Letter after pi
45 Envelope abbr.
46 Reservation
50 Uncertain
52 Young Lennon
53 Billy – Williams
54 Privilege
55 Fragrant flowers
57 Inner self
58 Sanskrit dialect
59 Camp furnishings
60 Gold or lead
61 Busy as — —
62 Melville opus

Down

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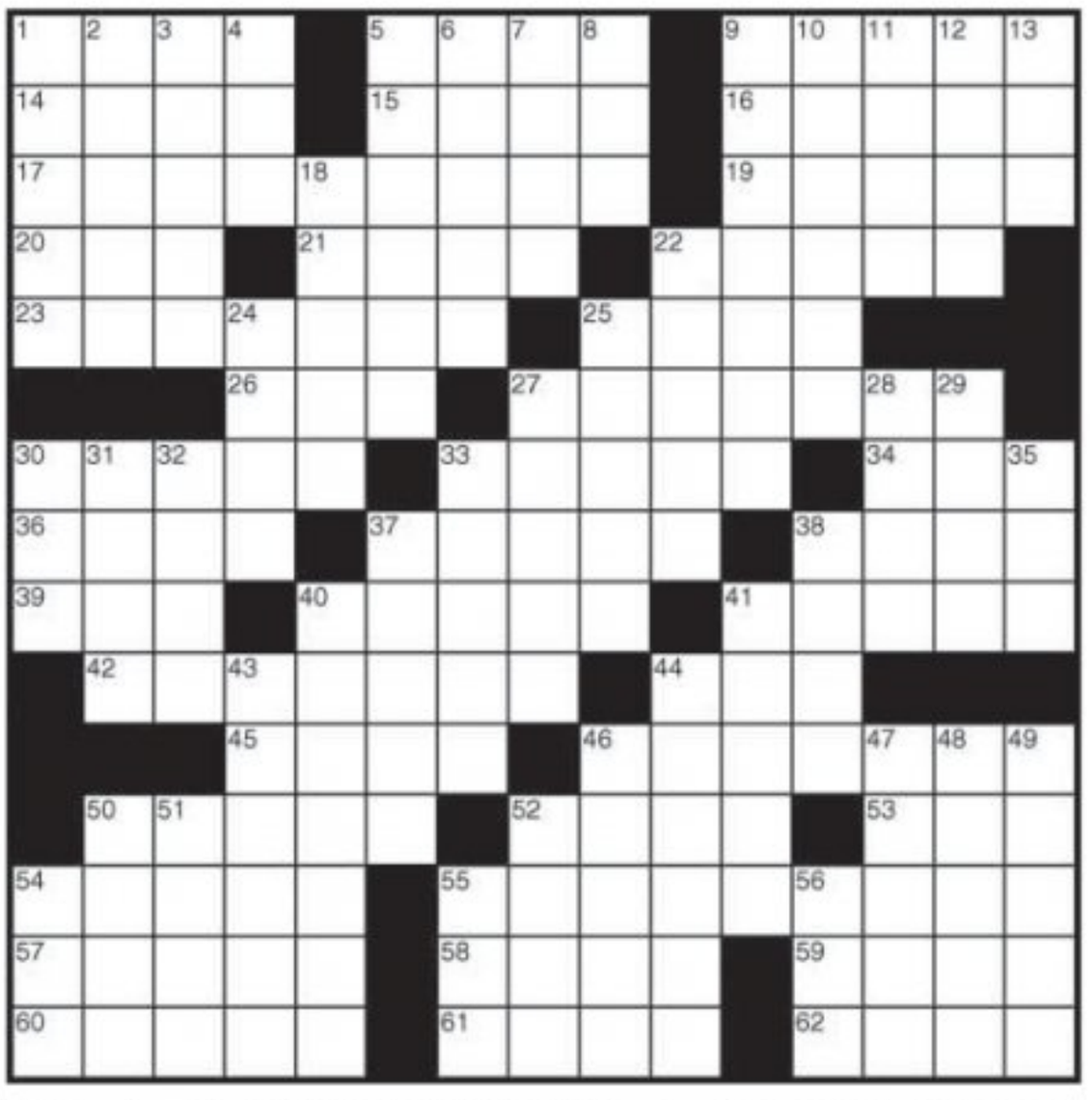

Letters

More supply than demand in grad market

Re: 'Graduates pointless without jobs' (Metro, Aug. 28) What letter writer Joe Alloy fails to allow for is that there is a disproportion between jobs that pay well and people who are properly educated or trained to fill those jobs. The other side of the problem is that employers, also overlooked here, have learned over the last five years that higher productivity with fewer employees appears to be working (for them) for the short-term; this in turn causes more demand for lesser jobs, lowering wages for those who CAN get the jobs while leaving even more people without gainful (if you can call it that) employment. Where I DO agree, although not on who to blame, is that the creation of more jobs is necessary. Fix the roads, fix the infrastructure, boost social services — now THERE IS WORK FOR PEOPLE (are you listening, Congress??)
JEREMY NEWMAN, VIA EMAIL

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Skins tab Griffin as starter

Redskins coach Mike Shanahan announced what was reported last week: Robert Griffin III will start the season opener against the Eagles. Griffin was cleared to play by doctors on Aug. 29, but Shanahan had some "concerns." That all changed yesterday. Griffin will be under center on Sept. 9 on Monday Night Football.

Watch online

Find video and recap of last night's Phillies-Nationals game at: **Metro.us/sports.**

CHIP KELLY'S EAGLES ARE PLAYOFF BOUND

No forecast for an NFL season has ever been more precarious than the one facing us right now. That being the 2013 adventure of the Eagles and their unpredictable rookie coach Chip Kelly. Will he revolutionize the league with his unorthodox methods? Or will he fail spectacularly?

If you hate suspense, here are the short answers to those two critical questions: Yes and no.

Yes, Kelly will change how teams prepare for games, the pace of offensive plays and many strategic decisions along the way. He has already altered the thinking of the most obsessive coach in the game, Bill Belichick of New England. The others will surrender to the trends, too. Sheep always do.

No, he will not fail spectacularly. In fact, he will not fail at all, especially after following a 4-12 debacle that marked the long-overdue end of Andy Reid's 14-year tenure here. Really, Kelly just has to win five games to crow about progress and all of those other tired coaching clichés.

We already know that Chip Kelly would never settle for a five-win season, nor for the cliches. The man was 44-7 at Oregon. He doesn't lose well, or often. Any prediction of his rookie season must begin with that fact. Kelly is a winner.

What the coach has accomplished, both psychologically and physically, with Mike Vick is Exhibit A that Kelly is a master already. No one (other than Kelly) thought Vick would be back this season, and now the bandwagon is rolling again for the revitalized quarterback.

He's stronger now. He's smarter now. He's more committed now.

There's something else about the new coach that will take fans a while to comprehend. He runs the football. Unlike Reid, Kelly enjoys controlling the pace of a game on the ground, a fact that should be great news for one of the best runners in the NFL, LeSean McCoy. Add game-changer DeSean Jackson, a new corps of versatile tight ends and a fortified line, and you've got a winning offense.

Unfortunately, there is another side of the ball, and that's where all of the concerns will be this season. Journeyman defensive coordinator Billy Davis has no track record of success — in any NFL role, really — and yet he is overseeing a dubious collection of unproven talent. Disaster seems inevitable when the Eagles are on defense, at least right now.

So how does it all add up? Well, the common denominator is Kelly and how fast he adjusts to the new level of competition. How soon he gets his players to believe, and how much time it takes for him to emerge as the great NFL coach he is destined to be.

Call this a leap of faith if you must. The Eagles are going to the playoffs this season. They will win nine games en route to a run with Chip Kelly that will make us all forget Andy Reid.

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ANGELO CATALDI

Cataldi's take

The Eagles are going to the playoffs this season.

New Eagles coach Chip Kelly will lead the team to nine wins.
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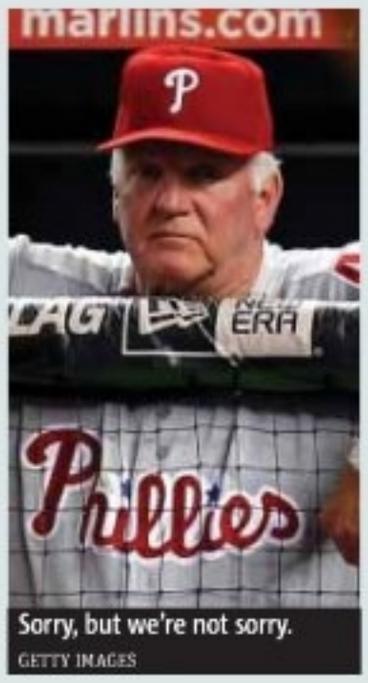
Opinion

Blind loyalty to Charlie Manuel still sickening

Now that the most ridiculous send-off in Philadelphia sports history is finally over, it's time to examine the fans' bizarre reaction to Charlie Manuel's firing. Two important lessons about the way we think emerged from this orgy of Charlie love.

The response proved, yet again, what Fred Shero said four decades ago, just before the Flyers won their first Stanley Cup: "Win today, and we walk together forever." Nowhere is that statement more accurate than in Philadelphia. The long goodbye for Charlie Manuel proved you only have to win once here to be beloved forever.

At no point in the discussion that followed Manuel's ouster were the final five seasons of his tenure analyzed. At no point were all of the mistakes that squandered important wins mentioned. It was just one long parade of mindless zealots lamenting his departure.



Sorry, but we're not sorry.
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In a city known for its scrutiny of sports teams, most of us went blind when Manuel finally left.

The second lesson is one that will not go down easy: Philadelphia has an inferiority complex. Geographically dwarfed by New York to the north and Washington, D.C., to the south, we never really expect to win. Can you imagine the reaction if the Yankees had won once in nine seasons with the talent Manuel had? New York would be roasting him, not toasting him.

My column two weeks ago declaring that Manuel was the most overrated manager in Phillies history received a negative reaction unlike anything — on the radio or in print — I've ever done. I would love to admit my mistake right now and move on, but I can't. What I wrote is true — every single word of it. Even now, some two weeks later.

I am sorry. But only about one thing: That Charlie Manuel wasn't a manager worthy of the loving send-off he just got.

ANGELO CATALDI

Cataldi. Goodell, NFL only care about money

The NFL admitted to no wrongdoing. Those are the words that resonated last week when our most powerful sport agreed to pay $765 million to more than 4,500 concussion victims. The NFL did nothing wrong. It is just paying $765 million because it cares.

In the history of professional sports, no league has ever lied more brazenly to protect its own image, and the NFL seems to be extending the boundaries of its own dishonesty with every new issue, every new statement. The NFL paid out all that money last week for only one reason — to end a public relations nightmare.

How does it look when Jim McMahon says he can't find his way home anymore because of the effects of countless concussions? How horrifying is it that Junior Seau went from the Super Bowl to the morgue after a suicide blamed on head trauma? People were beginning to see the NFL as heartless and greedy. In other words, accurately.

So the league decided to make a $765 million investment in image rehabilitation. The payout was nothing more than hush money for a core group of athletes disabled by the brutality of their own sport. These players knew they were taking a huge risk when they chose to slam themselves into each other for a living, but still their public anger and suffering was bad for the league.

Here's what you need to know about the NFL and this concussion settlement: The billionaire owners and their slick commissioner, Roger Goodell, give a damn about nothing but money. It took $765 million to reinforce their bogus image of caring. That's why they settled with the players. It was a business decision.

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Goodell is plenty slick when it comes to one thing — making money. / GETTY IMAGES

Idle thoughts

To see the rest of Cataldi's "Idle Thoughts," go to our website: Metro.us.

- The worst thing about being a sports fan during a two-week vacation at the Jersey Shore is walking for miles down the beach without hearing a single radio tuned to the Phillies game. Time marches on. Go, Eagles!

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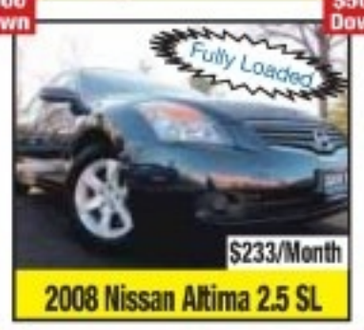

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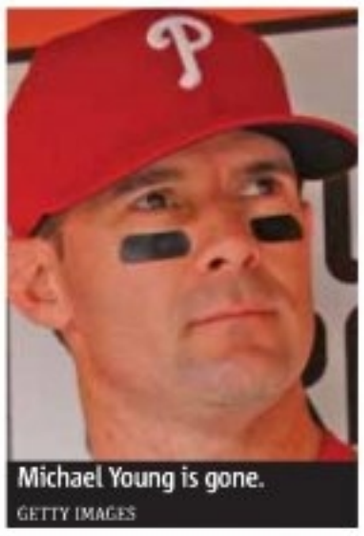
Phillies back home to face the Nationals

MLB. The club is back at Citizens Bank Park after enduring a shaky weekend against the Cubs.

The Phillies opened up a three-game home stand against the Nationals last night at Citizens Bank Park. It was "Dollar Dog Night" for the opener, with the club honoring the Philadelphia Union tomorrow night.

The Phillies were looking to get back in the win column after losing 7-1 to the Cubs Sunday. Kyle Kendrick (10-12) surrendered five runs on eight hits in just six innings.


Michael Young is gone.
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Yes, that's the same Kyle Kendrick who is hoping to cash in on a new, long-term contract.

In other Phillies news, the team traded third baseman Michael Young to the Dodgers this past weekend. The Phils received a minor-league pitcher in exchange for Young, who is a free agent after the season. Young was batting .272 with eight home runs and 41 RBIs.

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Up from the farm

The Phillies announced September call-ups.

- The team recalled INF Freddy Galvis, RHP Tyler Cloyd, RHP Luis Garcia, LHP Mauricio Robles and LHP Joe Savery from Triple-A Lehigh. And catcher Cameron Rupp had his contract selected.

Phillies

Brown gets MRI, sits

Phillies outfielder Domonic Brown was diagnosed with mild tendinitis in his sore right Achilles tendon yesterday following an MRI.

Brown is listed as day-to-day. He wasn't in the lineup last night and hasn't played since aggravating the injury last Friday. METRO

Eagles

Birds trim roster to 53

The Eagles made final cuts to get the roster down to 53 men.

Among the notables released were Danny Watkins, Clay Harbor and Russell Shepard. The practice squad will consist of Michael Bamiro, Travis Long, Greg Salas and Matthew Tucker. METRO

No fear: US swimmer goes Cuba to Florida

U.S. endurance swimmer Diana Nyad made history yesterday when she became the first person to swim from Cuba to Florida without the help of a shark cage. Nyad, 64, was making her fifth attempt at the 103-mile trek. / GETTY IMAGES

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‘Born Ready’ lives up to name, hype

Osiris Eldridge took home MVP honors in last weekend’s AND1 Remix Tournament. / PAIGE OZAROSKI, METRO

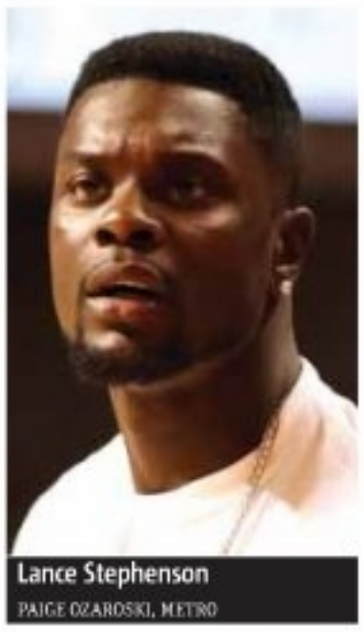
Basketball. Osiris Eldridge led Team Born Ready to a 74-71 win in the AND1 championship game at Temple.

Fans filled the Liacouras Center Sunday for the final game of AND1’s 20th annual Remix Tournament at Temple. The newest face of AND1, Pacers guard Lance Stephenson, helped coach Team Born Ready to a 74-71 victory over Summer Pro League.

The 12-team tournament featured NBA veterans like Hakim Warrick and Ronald “Flip” Murray, as well as former Owls Dionte Christmas and Mark Tyndale.

Team Born Ready took home $100,000 in prize money, thanks to the stellar play of guard Osiris Eldridge, a former standout at Illinois State.

Eldridge was named tournament MVP — earning him an extra $5,000 and a Rockwell watch.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Born Ready was Stephenson’s nickname on the blacktop courts growing up in New York.

Born in Brooklyn, Stephenson played for Abraham Lincoln High School in Coney Island. He remains New York’s all-time leading scorer in high school basketball, with 2,946 career points.

“[Stephon] Marbury made this brand what it was and I want to bring its popularity back,” said Stephenson. “I want to bring the excitement back to AND1 in the NBA and keep playing my hardest to make it expand even more.”

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